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In re application of: Bart Van Den Hazel

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For: **Full-Length Interferon Gamma  
Polypeptide Variants**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop: Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks address the rejections raised in the Office Action mailed April 7, 2008. A petition for a three month extension of time is filed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite fee pursuant 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account No. 50-0990. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this submission to Deposit Account No. 50-0990.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** being on page 2 of this submission.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this submission.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this submission.